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### THE PRESIDENT.

with the good wishes of an untration, secured in various fields of the humblest intellect that the Index-

Mr. Taft is believed to be no less de-

of this part of the country. It is a beautiful thing to be on all sides of a pleasure to believe that Mr. Taft is a fence at once. effer friend of the South than any of But when it comes to prognosticuting shown the keenest desire to understand is less happy. kindliest and most harmonious rela-

a simpler and better form of govern- pircs. Something can be done under

therefore, hardly win sanction to es-newspaper can possibly "commit" then tablish a commission system before the summer of 1912, at the earliest Meantlime it is a satisfaction to have the pable now. By one of those curious matter opened up in the Council, backed coincidences which appear to be dogby the Mayor's indorsement. The pro- ging the feetsteps of our Petersburg posal to appoint a special committee neighbor, on the very day on which to investigate commission government it sought to usurp the sceptre of the

reason that, so the Index-Appeal told ing two months, send from the South us, had deterred the candidates from answering up to that time namely, that the question was unworthy, conditionally that the question was unworthy, conditionally to the pattern of a short haul. The facts involved in this are vitally sarrily have kept them quiet forever.

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"desired" to have this question answered and is "pleased" that Mr. Tuck- a vengeance. To the South, is foolish finance with or this sublime rough-house; er has answered it. Yet it servely as- sion rate Westward means loss of "Tis modern opera by the laws of Master Richard Strauss." sailed those who raised the question as population, a thing she is in no sense insolent "bushwhackers." It must be able to stand. will naturally arise that the Index- a matter so close to the very heart of divided people. His peculiar fitness Appeal, in its own showing, is a her future. There ought to be other for the great office into which he, steps, bushwhacker at heart, though lacking reasons why men should stay in the Hank: "Do you think the

pectively, and doubtless it will now be In self-extenuation the Index-Appeal constantly illustrated in the acts of declares that its article was "deliband well-balanced mind, an excellent; the candidates in this primary as comfirst-kand knowledge of national af- mitted to the Democratic policy of lo-Mirs, understanding, sympathy and cal option," "whether they so declared man, he is also a strong one. There status" of any candidate on earth. No candidate is bound by anything that famous smile fronts a tolerably rigid the Index-Appeal may say for or It will be a relief at this juncture their "status" for themselves, which to have a judge in the White House. is what various straightforward and

and political ideals would answer it. It is, indeed, a

his predecessors of like faith. He has the distant future, our tireless friend South, and to put himself in the experiences in seeking to speak for tions with her; and he will disappoint the status" of the Anti-Saloon League. many if his induction into office to-day That the status so 'arrived at is endoes not also inaugurate a decided new tirely different from that long ago step in the reunification of the coun- fixed by the league itself is a detail. The Index-Appeal knows. It says:

A SIMPLER GOVERNMENT FOR RICHMOND.

It will take time to give Richmond a simpler and better form of government of

ducing both the number of wards and has been made unmistakably plain, it of representatives from is that local option is in no sense, shape each ward. But the fundamental draw- or form the "own policy" of the Antiback of a bicameral body would re- Saloon League, for the length of a While we are remodeling the gubernatorial term or any other pemain. While we are remodering the gubernatorial term of the system, we may well go slow enough riod. To pretend that it is, to speak popularity du to get it right, and there must cer- of its "faithlessness" in "descriting" tide depends to get it right, and there must cerwould like to break away from the old- The league leaders have made it plain ashioned council government, and which would co-operate with Richmond toward a constitutional amendment.

It takes the approval of two Asmemblies and a popular vote to change pedient for the moment. No dogmatic the Constitution. Richmond could, utterance of a chronically cocksure is expected to go through the Council Rev. James Cannon, Jr., Rev. James

family, averaged, is worth \$200 to the wild sarrusophones.

The Times-Dispatch would not venare to intrude upon the explanatory that the family will stay. Families

Whilst crunching dead men's bones The Times-Dispatch would not venture to intrude upon the explanatory that the family will stay. Families measures and remedial efforts upon who move in a year or two to Oklation to Index-Appeal has lately been home or Texas are not worth the extended by the hecklephone suggests the crack of doom.

able to stand.

But the fact remains that the South should not be at the mercy of the railroads or of any other organic.

Singers? they're scarcely heard nor seen in you back seat they sit. The aday of Song is past, I ween:

The orchestra is It.

New York World. should not be at the mercy of the the into which he, steps, bushwhacker at heart, though lacking and training, has been the courage of those who bore the commented upon prossumented upon pro cause it had rather be here than anywhere else in the world, and no allure- Their Ins and Outs, ments in the way of special excursions which never come back should be enough to take any of it away. But unhappily this ideal does not always. unhappily this ideal does not always exist. Here in Virginia we see coun- Quite So. public service. A stout and genial Appeal has no power to "fix the ties with a steadily dwindling population, country sides emptying into the cities in this and other States, towns stripped of their young men. "Say on."
"But if she really wants to interest peop in the country of their young men."
Pittsburg Post. And this process goes on without any Keeps Us Guessing.

It is the South's vital necessity to hold her population, as well as attract new settlers. No more important. confronts the leaders of public thought in this State. The problem here is famous."

simply to make Virginia a more place. "Wells" in soil, climate and resources, we must belief that he will give us no violent we assumed that the candidates outbursts of passion, no picturesque denunciations of all who disagree with him, no playing fast and loose with him, no playing fast and loose with disagree with the candidates of an election which was to decide their fate, to tell the inquisitive voter that he was—well, a gressive ideals, an ambition to get out away from us, and we don't deserve

A careful investigation of the grand-stand capacities demonstrates that an inauguration parade is nearly as popu-

The Standard Oil attorney very reasonably declares that he doesn't want any pipe-dream verdict. Of rourse, a pipe-line verdict would be far more appropriate.

The Senate wouldn't agree to a \$25,000 appropriation to complete the work of the country life commission.

Maybe it was endeavoring, at the last ent, to administer a youth's size

What shall we do with Mr. Fair-

It is announced that Capriano Castro will be swiftly pinched should be ever are return to Venezuela. Each of our a readers is allowed four guesses whether Cipriano will ever return.

Mr. Bryan is making an address in

The employes of the Lackawanna Steel Company have just suffered a cut of 10 per cent, in their wages, Bring on your Republican prosperity, President Taft.

And the Ananias Club adjourned sine

President Taft and ex-President Roosevelt, greetings.

observing: "Now people will say that Quentin goes to my school." This seems to sum up the situation in a in a nutshell, without the need of corrollaries

A great deal of the weatherman's

## Borrowed Jingles.

MODERN OPERA.

## MERELY JOKING.

### SHOTS FROM THE GALLERY.

Mr. Fairbanks is going out West, but not grow up with the country,-Nashville

With Arkansas threatening le go dry it looks as though New York will soon be the only easis in the great American desert.— New York Evening Sun.

Sigdles in the open air for school children are advocated by Dr. Alexander McAllister, a physician of Camden, N. J., for stamping out tuberculosis.

According to intelligence from Egypt, says the Indian Trade Journal, a proposal lies before the municipal council for making Alexandria a free port.

pulls off to-day.

Senator Stephenson, of Wisconsin, has at last secured his seat, but A. J. Hopkins, of lilinois, still remains in the general admission class.

Of course, the one dark cloud over the inauguration ceremonies is that circumstances prevented their being held in Richmond.

Nor will the judicial and broadminded men of the South offer any objection whatever to the appointment of Dr. Crum as collector of the port of Boston (Mass.).

Miss Agnes Irwin, dean of Ruscliffe College, has resigned ber position, to take legs, has resigned ber position, to take l

board to appoint a special committee for investigate commission government is expected to go through the Council to supplied to a large incomprose right, thus getting the movement under way. It is not a bit to carry not be spin campaigning to the council to the

# The Courts of Europe

By La Marquise de Fontenov.

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Picturesque Marquis de Henuregard.

This French Academy has sustained a severe loss through the suddand of the death in his sleep of the gard, who, if not one of its most brilliant literary lights, was, at any rate, one of its most picturesque and popular fluerary lights, was, at any rate, one of its most picturesque and popular fluerary lights, was, at any rate, one of its most picturesque and popular fluerary lights, was, at any rate, one of its most picturesque and popular fluerary lights, was, at any rate, one of the market of the distance of the ariskordary of Savoy, which in former times war, closely arsociated with the now reigning dynasty of Italy, and celebrated in history for its chivalrous loyalty to the crown. When, however, savoy became for the king dynasty of Prame, the late antequis transferred bis allegiance from the king-dom of Frame, the late antequis transferred bis allegiance from the king-dom of Frame, the late antequis transferred bis allegiance from the king-dom of Frame, the late antequis transferred bis allegiance from the king-dom of Frame, the late antequis transferred bis allegiance from the king-dom of Frame, the late are subject to the circle of the less of the calculation of the company of the late of the la

of 1870—ramely, that of 'Vive la France'."

Some time ago the marquis came forward with a popular and practical scheme to provide for the maintenance of the parish clergy of France left destitute by the loss of their stheads through the repeal of the concordat between the papacy and the republic. He proposed that Catholics should be asked to subscribe to a fund for the clergy in the following proportions: Children, one centime—that is to say, a fifth of a cent—a month; poor people, one centime a week, and those who are well-to-do, one centime a day, which would be less than a dollar a year. This, he calculated, according to the number of professing Catholics—that is to say, the communicants and their families—would yield an annual income of \$10.000,000—exactly the amount of the former government stipends of the clergy abolished by the separation of clurch and state.

The marquis was much annoyed during the later years of his life by the

And William Loeb departs to lead, we trust, a blameless life hereafter.

CALL FOR GOVERNOR'S VETO.

Charleston Wonders if She Will Have Probabiliton Fight Next Summer.

The election on the liquor question.

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ving near Monroe Park, and havtwo children, I have every reason
beserve its condition. It is already
crowded, and becoming more so
y day. To crowd the Battle Abbey
it, which will certainly draw still
e people there, is wrong—very
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etly connected with its history
ch would be more fitting and apriate. Why always harp on MonPark?

A MOTHEIL. propriate. Why always roe Park? Richmond, March 2.

## COMPARATIVE NAVAL STRENGTH.

England Excludes United States From Her Two-Power Standard.

report comes from London, "ac-

The report comes from London, "according to the best information," that the British cabinet has decided to exclude the American navy from its reckning of the "two-power standard"—that is to say, it will keep the British navy at a strength 10 per cent greater than the joint strength of any two other navies in the world except that of the United States. The idea appears to be partly that the American navy is destined soon to be so large that to surpass it and the next largest put together would be beyond the power of the British Admiralty, and partly, probably chiefly, that the possibility of hostilities between the United Kingdom and the United States is so remote that it need not and should not be taken into account in preparations for British defense.

Both of those reasons are gratifying to the United States, and for both there is a certain foundation in fact and sense, though we fear that neither will be altogether convincing to all the British nation. The shipbuilding abilities of the United Kingdom are so enormous and the financial resources within reach are so ample that many will hold it quite possible to increase to double or to treble. If need be, the present rate of naval expansion. Nevertheless, the growth of the American navy in the last few years and the assured prospect of its continuance Britain of the magnitude of the task which would be involved in keeping the "Red, White and Blue" navy superior to ours plus the next greatest.—New York Tribune.

the Skin Through the Skin.

When you have a scratch on your hand you wash it out and cleanes it, and then the skin cures itself.

The best skin specialists to-day are agreed that the only way to cure the skin is through the skin. For statistics show that hearly all coxema auticore as the skin is through the skin. For statistics show that hearly all coxema auticore as the skin is through the skin. For statistics are perfectly healthy in all other ways except as to their skin. And if the ecenna patients were really suffering from an internal malady, the entire body and not only the skin would be diseased.

You can prove immediately the relief of a true skin cure by using oil of winterprets as compounded in D. D. P. Prescription. This liquid kills the disease germs, while toning up the leasthy part of the skin we have now handled this meritorious and thoroughly scientific remedy for so long, and have seen its reliable results so many times, that we freely express our confidence.

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introduced, and in certain localities it revolutionized agricultural methods. It has restored the original fertility of the soil, so fruitful fifty years ago, and supplied the population with means that had come from Illinois for more than fourscore years. Nor has it supplanted cotton. On the coatrary, it has more than doubled the yield per acre of that staple. Furthermore, it is just beginning the establishment of a dairy industry that promises more than the fatness of Egypt.

There will be no Southern problem when the planters of that section diversity their crops, practice intelligent rotation and adopt intensive farming.—Washington Post.

## MR. TUCKER ON EDUCATION. What He Really Said in His First Speech.

We thought at the time Mr. Tucker was making his declaration with reference to compulsory education his real meaning would be perverted and he would have to meet the charge that he was in favor of compulsory education. Mr. Tucker in his specia at Chuckatuck, which was the first political speech he has made during the campeter, declared himself as favoring the present law with reference to com-

## DROPPING INTO POETRY.

Nations Following in Footsleps of Silas Wegg.

day he would probably make good capital out of the incident. It was a good thing for the Patterson faction when the brilliant editor-statesman was killed, but a sad day for Tennessee.—Lynchburg Advance,

I Voice of the People

A Mother Objects.

Editor of The Times-Dispatch;
SIr,—Again they propose Monroed Park for the Battle Abbey. Placing monuments to our dead soldiers is very time, but we should not put them where they interfere with the freedom and welfare of our children, our future citizens and soldiers.

Monroe Park is the only breathing spot between William Byrd Park and Capitol Square, and with the house yards now so curtailed and built up, the cars and automobiles on the streets, where are our little ones of the city to get some outdoor air and exercise?

Living near Monroe Park, and having two children, I have every reason to observe its condition. It is already overcrowded, and becoming more so every day. To crewd the Battle Abbey into it, which will certainly draw still thore people there. Is wrong-very

The Inaugural Pageant.

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'Peace hath her victories no less renowned than war'—

Thus wrote the safe in distant age,
And looked with sight afar
Unto the day when Reason's sway
Should teach men that a people's
strength
Is in the reign of law.

When Rome her latest triumph would

fitly celebrate.

Her foe, though brave, became her slave,
And so the power of hate
Could stay the voice that dare rejoice
At thought of equal rights for all—
The lowly with the great.

But Rome has passed away—her shadow like a ghost;
Her pomp and fame are but a name
For prestige gained and lost;
Her vaunted might could not make
right
Her wrongs to weak and fallen foes.
(Alas: what of her boast?)

Thus Egypt, Persia. Carthage. Greece—
all swayed by sordid lust
The mastery gained, yet waxed and
waned
And crumbled into dust!
Each fought and bled, nor thought
her dead,
Aprice too great for month.

A price too great for world-renown— Yet perish all it must. Each conquering state that rose and throve upon her neighbor's dust, But showed the power, in triumph's

hour.
Of better laws and just:
And progress fraught with power of
thought
Looked to the time when righteous-Should be a people's trust.

Then fair Columbia was born, the offspring of the thought
Of master minds that thus divine
The hope of patriot:
Her milder yoke the fact bespoke
Of larger freedom's perfect rule—
Behold what she hath wrought!

When she would call her favorite son to station of renown.
She asks no meed of warlike deed Or enemy put down;
Her guerdons grace the peaceful ways
Of him whose moral strength por-

trays
The king without a crown.

Thus have her honored sons won for themselves a name
For lasting worth, and through the earth
We hear the glad acclaim:
"On history's scroll we shall enroll Your noble deeds. Come enter now Into the Hall of Fame!"
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